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Sir:

In reply to the Office action of February 28, 2006, it is respectfully requested that the following remarks be entered and considered for further prosecution of the above-identified application:

## REMARKS

Claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 as presented by applicants on June 10, 2005 (date of the Certificate of Mailing), are currently pending in this case.

The Examiner reiterated the rejection of Claims 1, 2, 4 and 5 under 35 U.S.C. \$103(a) as being unpatentable in light of the teaching of Curtse et al. (US 6,127,570).

In particular, the Examiner argued that the compounds represented by applicants' formula (I) as well as the compound 5-bromo-2',6-dime-

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